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HOUSE RESOLUTION No. ____

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A HOUSE RESOLUTION recognizing the Central Indiana Young Marines.

Whereas, The Young Marines is a nonprofit youth education and service program;

Whereas, The group is open to boys and girls ages eight through completion of high school as long as they are in good standing at school;

Whereas, Since its establishment in 1958, the Young Marines organization has grown to over 300 units with 10,000 members and 3,000 adult volunteers in 46 states, the District of Columbia, Germany, and Japan, and affiliates in a host of other countries;

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Whereas, The purposes of the Central Indiana Young Marines are to promote the mental, moral, and physical development of its members, to instill in its members the ideals of honesty, fairness, courage, respect, loyalty, dependability, attention to duty, love of God, and fidelity to our country and its institutions, to stimulate an interest in, and respect for, academic achievement and the history and traditions of the United States of America, to promote physical fitness through the conduct of physical activities, including participation in athletic events and close order drill, and to advocate a drug-free lifestyle through a continual drug prevention education program;

Whereas, The mission of the Central Indiana Young Marines is "to positively impact America's future by providing quality youth development programs for boys and girls that nurture and develop its members into responsible citizens who enjoy and promote a healthy, drug-free lifestyle";

Whereas, The Central Indiana Young Marines are led by dedicated adult volunteers, many of whom are former, retired, active duty, or reserve Marines;

Whereas, The Central Indiana Young Marines are heavily involved in civic and community volunteerism in a multitude of ways that has been a great benefit to Cental Indiana and the entire state;

Whereas, Service and volunteerism are key components within their organization and are great lessons that these individuals take with them throughout their lives;

Whereas, The Central Indiana Young Marines' work in Henryville after the tragic tornado of 2012 shall be forever remembered, and their efforts to travel many miles from home to help other Hoosiers is an excellent example of their organization's willingness to help all those in need;

Whereas, These volunteers believe that the values of honor, courage, and commitment learned as Marines had a positive effect on them and can improve the lives of young Hoosiers;



and

Whereas, The Central Indiana Young Marines work diligently to strengthen the lives of Indiana's youth: Therefore,

Be it resolved by the House of Representatives of the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

1 SECTION 1. That the Indiana House of Representatives expresses
2 its gratitude to the Central Indiana Young Marines for their dedicated
3 service to the youth of Indiana and urges them to continue their good
4 work.

5 SECTION 2. That the Principal Clerk of the House of
6 Representatives transmit a copy of this resolution to Unit Commander
7 David Heffner.

